

REMARKS

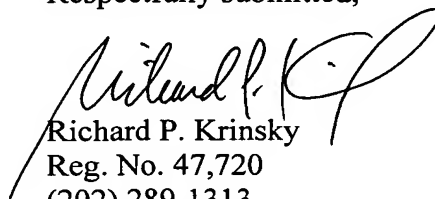
The Examiner's suggestion to reformat the claims to "a method of using pegs to repair broken dentures was appreciated and has been accepted. Accordingly, the rejection of claims as anticipated by Williams ('192) has been overcome.

Reconsideration of the rejection of claims as being indefinite under 35 USC 112 second paragraph is requested. The Examiners comment about the same peg with different impression materials is correct. The peg with the same expansion limitation would infringe Claim 3, while the peg with the different thermal limitation would not. This does not make the thermal expansion limitation indefinite. Measurement of thermal expansion is a well known engineering process. One heats a bar of impression material and the created peg, both of given length and measures their new temperature and new length. Dividing the additional length by the additional temperature will give the temperature expansion figure needed to determine whether the peg and impression material have the same thermal expansion. Accordingly, reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

In view of all of the above, the Application is now in condition for allowance and such is hereby requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 (644/37422).

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